

SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

The paragraph beginning on line 14 of page 1 has been revised to read as follows:

Nowadays many people use a wide variety of services for which access authorization is required. The following are typical examples: telecommunications services such as, ~~for example,~~ ~~interrogation of~~ access to a database, ~~or access to~~ the Internet, mobile telecommunications services, and electronic banking services. Virtually all of these services require access authorization in the form of a password, a PIN (personal ~~identification~~ identification number) or a person-specific card such as, ~~for example,~~ a credit card, an automatic teller machine card, or a mobile telephone card.